



Footnotes

Your Monthly Update from the Billings Public Library Foundation

March 2023

Thanks to You – We're in the Heights!



Thanks to the incredible generosity of our supporters, we officially opened the second set of Library Express Lockers at the SCL Health Walk-In Clinic in the Heights! Folks can now access library materials 24/7 without having to drive all the way to the library downtown. We know how busy life is, and we're proud to make it easier than ever to use your library. We're now raising money for two new locker units to go in Lockwood and on the West End. Your support helps us go above and beyond for our library!

Celebrating March with Monthly Giving

It's springtime again, and this month we are celebrating our monthly givers who are members of the Cornerstone Club. When you sign up to give a monthly gift to your Library Foundation, you're helping us build a solid foundation for our library and the thousands of folks it serves every single day.



This year, we're thrilled to announce an opportunity to **DOUBLE your gift!** Thanks to the generosity of Bernard Rose, **every new monthly gift will be matched, up to \$1,000!**

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Tax Time Got you Down?

It's that time of year again, and we know it can be painful. No one likes to pay taxes, and it can be especially annoying if you haven't taken full advantage of charitable tax write offs. Your generosity to the Billings Public Library Foundation can pay off when tax time comes around in a lot of ways! Your donations to us are tax write-offs if you itemize, and we use the Montana Tax Credit for donors who make a long-term gift.

And, if you have an IRA and are over the age of 72, you can avoid being taxed on your required minimum distribution by donating to the Library Foundation. By making a Qualified Charitable Distribution, you can meet your required minimum distribution in a tax-free way!

Interested in learning more? Tell your accountant you're interested in making a Qualified Charitable Distribution to the Library Foundation, and call us at 406-237-6149.

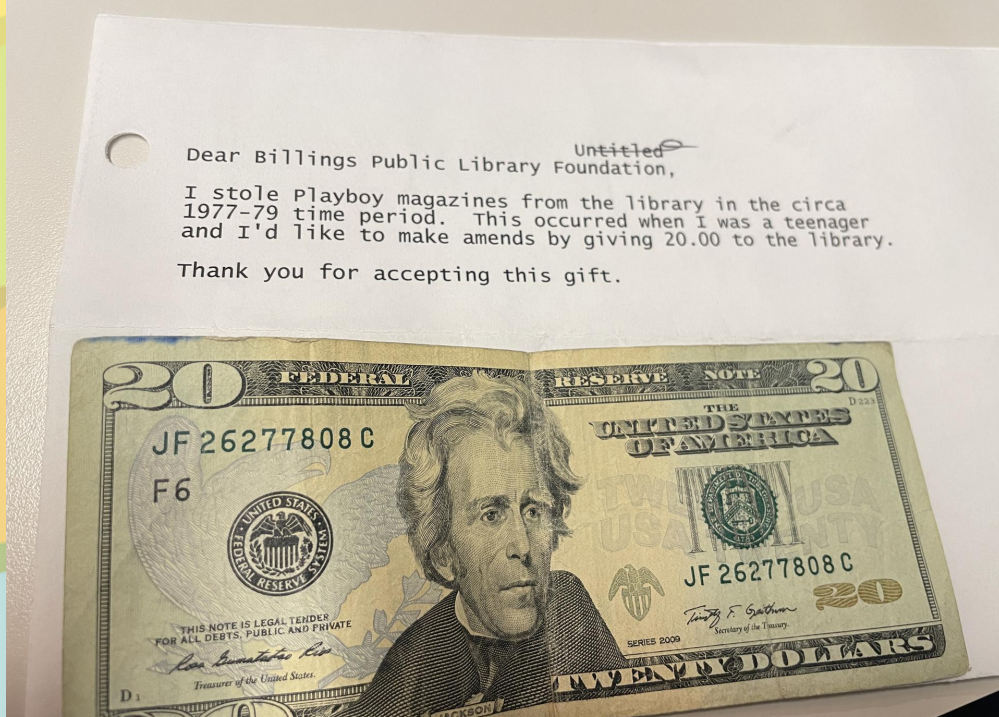
A Unique Donation

We occasionally get anonymous donations, but never quite like this one.

A "guilt-ridden" former patron, with a great sense of humor, decided the best path to a clear conscience was to give back to the library that had given so much!

While we cannot condone the stealing of library materials, in this situation we're pleased to offer a full pardon and our heartfelt thanks for the donation and the laughs this note brought.

We all know that libraries leave lasting impressions....we just didn't imagine this one!



"I stole Playboy magazines from the library in the circa 1977-79 time period. This occurred when I was a teenager and I'd like to make amends by giving 20.00 to the library."